
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, March 10, 2021

TIME: 3:30 PM

PLACE: Room 35 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [5354](#)

BY O'Brien, Noret, Casimiro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ANTI-BULLYING BILL OF RIGHTS ACT {LC570/1} (Creates anti-bullying bill of rights to strengthen protection for students who are victims of bullying.)

02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5355](#)

BY O'Brien, Corvese

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF TEACHERS GENERALLY {LC605/1} (Act broadens the definition of "teacher" and create a comprehensive bill of rights for school teachers.)

02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5521](#)

BY Lombardi, Henries

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS {LC1689/1} (Requires school committees to provide transportation for any student who resides two (2) or more miles from school.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5522](#)

BY Amore, Lombardi, Potter, Alzate, Giraldo, Morales

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ACCESS TO ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT {LC1342/1} (Establishes a process for CCRI, RIC and URI to accept for college credit an advanced placement subject test score of three (3) ("qualified") or better in an advanced placement course.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5625](#)

BY Cortvriend, Carson, Ruggiero, Ajello, Kislak, Donovan, Kazarian, Speakman, Ranglin-Vassell, McGaw

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION – THE CLIMATE LITERACY ACT {LC1382/1} (Implements literacy of climate change for all students enrolled in public schools or other schools managed and controlled by the state in kindergarten through twelve (K-12).)

02/19/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5650](#)

BY Kislak, Kazarian, Blazejewski, Biah, Williams, Henries, Knight, Ackerman, Ranglin-Vassell, Ajello

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND HOLOCAUST AND GENOCIDE EDUCATION COMMISSION {LC1485/1} (Creates the Holocaust and genocide education commission.)

02/23/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5697](#)

BY Williams, Hull, Alzate, Barros, Henries, Biah, Abney, Morales, Giraldo, Cassar

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- AFRICAN HERITAGE HISTORY EDUCATION {LC1597/1} (Requires implementation of education courses in African American history in elementary and secondary schools in Rhode Island commencing in the 2022-2023 school year.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5698](#)

BY Giraldo, Alzate, Williams

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION – SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 – THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT] {LC1941/1} (Requires all public schools to send out written invitations to all parents, guardians or caretakers of students inviting those parents, guardians or caretakers to an orientation at the school.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5823](#)

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Noret, Azzinaro, Filippi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RESIDENCE OF CHILDREN FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES {LC2008/1} (Military personnel ordered to Rhode Island may register their children for school remotely.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5824](#)

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Noret, Solomon, Azzinaro, Kennedy, Filippi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --

PURPLE-STAR RHODE ISLAND DEPENDENT EDUCATION ACT {LC1951/1} (Establishes the "Purple-star Rhode Island Education Act" or "PRIDE" Act.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5825](#)

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Noret, Azzinaro, Filippi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE STATEWIDE VIRTUAL

EDUCATION ACT [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 -- THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF

EDUCATION ACT] {LC2007/1} (Children/ Students of military service members transferring to or from Rhode Island may attend by virtual learning.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5836](#)

BY Shanley, McNamara, Shekarchi, Solomon, Bennett, Vella-Wilkinson, Barros, Amore

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- REGIONAL VOCATIONAL

SCHOOLS (SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 -- THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACT) {LC1824/1} (Amends the career and technical education program laws to provide the process by which students could access career and technical education programs outside of their home school district.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6021](#)

BY Ajello, McNamara, Kislak, Felix, Williams, Barros, Amore, Lima, O'Brien, Morales

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION {LC1870/1} (Requires district and

independent charter schools to use a random selection process to select eligible public school students who would be invited to attend the charter school and allows a parent to decline the invitation.)

02/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

The State House remains closed to in-person testimony.

The meeting will be televised on Capitol Television, which can be seen on Cox Channels 15, and 61, in high definition on Cox Channel 1061, on Full Channel on Channel 15 and on Channel 34 by Verizon subscribers.

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Written testimony is strongly encouraged and may be submitted via
HouseEducation@rilegislature.gov

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For faster processing, it is recommended that testimony is submitted as a PDF file.

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<http://www.rilegislature.gov/Special/comdoc/Pages/HEDU.aspx> .**

VERBAL TESTIMONY

For verbal testimony requests, [CLICK HERE](#)

Verbal testimony accepted on any bill scheduled for "Hearing and/or Consideration" only

DEADLINE: Requests for verbal testimony must be submitted via the link, by 11:00 AM on Wednesday, March 10, 2021.

The committee is unable to designate a specific time that you will be called. In the event you are unavailable when called, witnesses are urged to submit written testimony.

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